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SUBJECT: Draft of KIC Shipbuilding Subcommittee Paper "Estimates of Production of Naval and Merchant Ships in the USSR, 1957, 1958 and 1959. Internal CIA Project 35.2459."

1. A draft of the subject paper is submitted herewith for approval.
2. The Shipbuilding Subcommittee has agreed to prepare, on an annual basis, a report on Soviet ship production covering a continuous 3-year period and ending with the current year. A working group of the Subcommittee, consisting of one member from ONI and one member from CIA, jointly prepared the subject draft. ONI's contribution to this estimate was largely information on order of battle and naval ship characteristics but little information on actual naval and merchant ship production. Most of the ship production data for naval vessels, some data on submarine characteristics, and practically all of the data on merchant ship production and ship characteristics came from CIA. All work in connection with preparing the draft was done in CIA.
3. This paper <sup>has been</sup> will be coordinated with the remaining members of the Subcommittee. (10 July 59)
4. Please return the enclosed draft. Copies of the final publication will be submitted to [redacted] for file purposes.

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NAVY review(s) completed.

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